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Gregory Gandrud, Treasurer
Santa Barbara County Republican Central
Committee
1493 Chaparral Drive
Carpinteria, CA 93013

Identification Number:

C00174334

Reference:

October Quarterly Report (7/1/02-9/30/02)

Dear Mr. Gandrud:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule 144 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "supplies," "bounty expense," "bounty," "reimbursement," and "registration bounty". For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses an apparent contribution to Cristina C. Martin for State Assembly. Please be advised that contributions to federal committees and/or non-federal committees/organizations do not qualify as shared expenses to be allocated between your federal and non-federal accounts. Contributions to federal committees should be disclosed on a Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page and contributions to non-federal committees/organizations on a separate Schedule B supporting Line 29. Any reimbursement from your committee's non-federal account for any portion of this contribution(s) is not permissible. 11 CFR §102.5(a)(1)(i)

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the funds

received by your federal account, as reimbursement for the non-federal portion, back to your non-federal account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

-Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. Contribution from other party committees should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule A, supporting Line 11(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions contained on the forms to determine the proper categorization when preparing your next filing.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Brandy Phillip;

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